

# Arkansas

## Broiler Hatchery

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### Arkansas Chick Placements Down 4 Percent From Last Year

Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Arkansas was 23.5 million during the week ending May 5, 2007. Placements were down 4 percent from the comparable week in 2006, and down 2 percent from the revised previous week, and included 2.4 million chicks shipped in from other states.

The broiler-type chicks hatched for the week was 23.9 million, virtually unchanged from both the corresponding week a year earlier and from the revised previous week. Of the total hatch, 2.5 million chicks were shipped out of the state. Average hatchability for chicks hatched was 84 percent.

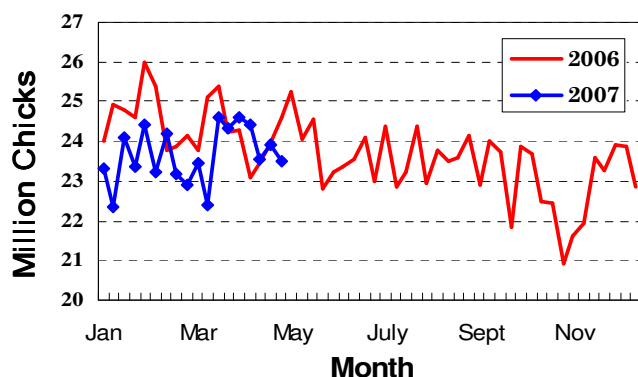
Arkansas hatcheries set 29.2 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending May 5, 2007, up 3 percent from the same period last year, and up 2 percent from the revised previous week.

Week Ending <sup>1</sup>	Chicks Placed			Chicks Hatched			Eggs Set		
	2006	2007	% of Prev. Year	2006	2007	% of Prev. Year	2006	2007	% of Prev. Year
	<i>Thousand</i>			<i>Thousand</i>			<i>Thousand</i>		
Mar. 31	24,237	24,337	100	24,421	23,533	96	28,130	27,991	100
Apr. 7	24,288	24,608	101	23,861	23,548	99	28,744	28,374	99
Apr. 14	23,108	24,406	106	23,156	23,032	99	28,635	28,586	100
Apr. 21	23,467	23,531	100	23,269	23,419	101	28,332	28,327	100
Apr. 28	23,952	23,898*	100	23,924	23,830*	100	27,628	28,547*	103
May 5	24,608	23,518	96	23,900	23,914	100	28,366	29,200	103

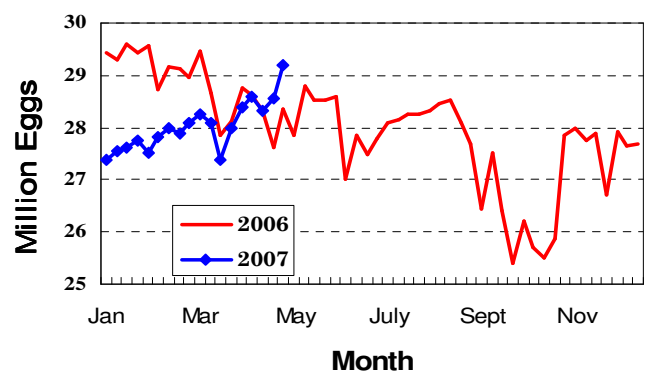
<sup>1</sup> For previous year, it is the comparable week.

\* Revised in current week

Chicks Placed In Arkansas, 2006-2007



Eggs Set In Arkansas, 2006 - 2007



### Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Weeks, April 7, 2007 - May 5, 2007

State	Eggs Set						Chicks Placed					
	Week Ending						Week Ending					
	7-Apr	14-Apr	21-Apr	28-Apr	5-May	% 1/	7-Apr	14-Apr	21-Apr	28-Apr	5-May	% 1/
	<i>Thousand</i>						<i>Thousand</i>					
Alabama	31,722	31,354	31,737	31,504	31,116	101	20,400	20,571	20,652	20,656 *	20,530	95
<b>Arkansas</b>	<b>28,374</b>	<b>28,586</b>	<b>28,327</b>	<b>28,547 *</b>	<b>29,200</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>24,608</b>	<b>24,406</b>	<b>23,531</b>	<b>23,898 *</b>	<b>23,518</b>	<b>96</b>
Delaware	4,107	4,187	4,064	4,108 *	4,160	116	5,115	5,258	5,507	5,467 *	4,807	96
Florida	1,382	1,372	1,383	1,384	1,380	100	1,455	1,597	1,497	1,555	1,450	100
Georgia	36,359	36,491	37,540	36,488 *	35,751	105	29,038	29,472	28,447 *	30,065 *	30,116	104
Kentucky	7,543	7,539 *	7,767	7,787 *	7,772	107	6,083	5,366 *	6,337 *	5,851 *	6,025	94
Louisiana	3,924	3,924	3,924	3,924	3,955	102	3,738	3,795	3,765	3,901	3,892	96
Maryland	9,011	9,050	8,941	8,932	8,776	99	5,952	6,316	5,833	6,047 *	5,851	108
Mississippi	18,998	19,104	19,090	18,856	18,826	102	17,719	17,494	17,370	17,559 *	17,429	108
N. Carolina	19,757	19,889 *	19,625	19,856	19,506	106	16,161	15,706	15,907	16,434	16,370	111
Oklahoma	6,650	6,771	6,771	6,583	6,633	104	4,745	4,628	5,298	5,007 *	5,623	116
Pennsylvania	4,114 *	4,197	4,152	3,920 *	4,012	98	2,992 *	2,899	2,990	3,153 *	3,199	110
S. Carolina	5,554	5,378	5,775	5,659	5,473	103	4,823	5,258	4,971	5,415 *	4,671	91
Texas	14,968 *	14,987 *	15,049 *	15,122 *	14,971	100	12,844 *	12,801 *	12,713 *	12,675 *	12,606	99
Virginia	6,451	6,529	6,540	6,478	6,480	100	5,164	4,889	5,203	5,225	6,157	115
CA,MO,TN&WV	20,176 *	20,236 *	20,299 *	19,831 *	20,432	104	15,654 *	16,862 *	18,056 *	17,735 *	18,346	105
19 State Total	219,090 *	219,594 *	220,984 *	218,979 *	218,443		176,491 *	177,318 *	178,077 *	180,643 *	180,590	
Prev. Year Total	215,794	214,981	212,327	210,570	211,844		175,414	172,785	175,809	177,833	176,955	
% of Prev. Year	102	102	104	104	103		101	103	101	102	102	
<b>Approximate Marketing Date 2007 2/ .....</b>							26-May	2-Jun	9-Jun	16-Jun	23-Jun	

\* Revised in current week.

1/ Current week as percent of the same week last year.

2/ Industry average; seven weeks from placement.

### Broiler Type Eggs Set In 19 Selected States Up 3 Percent

Commercial hatcheries in the 19-State weekly program set 218 million eggs in incubators during the week ending May 5, 2007. This was up 3 percent from the eggs set the corresponding week a year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week was 83 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

### Broiler Chicks Placed Up 2 Percent

Broiler growers in the 19-State weekly program placed 181 million chicks for meat production during the week ending May 5, 2007. Placements were up 2 percent from the comparable week a year earlier. Cumulative Placements from December 31, 2006 through May 5, 2007 were 3.14 billion, down 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.